

Social and Personal

CAROL S. DIBBLE.

An early fall wedding of much interest to Salem and Portland society is that of Miss Gertrude Jones of Lathrop Meadows, and Merrill B. Moore, of Portland, which will take place tonight at eight o'clock at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Rev. Robert S. Gill officiating. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception will be given at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. George W. Gray, 1281 State street. Since the announcement of the engagement early in June, the young people have been extensively entertained both in Salem and Portland, a large number of Portland people having motored down for the event, besides other out-of-town guests. Among those to arrive the first of the week, were Mrs. A. M. Cannon, of Portland, and Mrs. John Withycombe, of Corvallis, sisters of the bride-elect. An interesting coincidence in connection with the nuptial is that the fathers of Miss Jones and Mr. Moore were classmates in the early seventies at Willamette university.

J. P. Patrick, of Des Moines, Iowa, has been the guest of his niece, Mrs. E. Hofer, at her home on South Commercial street for a few days. Mr. Patrick left for Portland this morning.

After a year of advanced graduate work in the University of Wisconsin under the eminent sociologist, Ross, Gaylord H. Patterson, Ph.D., formerly head of the department of economics and sociology in Willamette university, has accepted the chair of economics and sociology in Dickinson college, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Dickinson college is an institution of high rating and is on the Carnegie foundation. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and daughter, Louise, are now pleasantly located in Carlisle and look forward with pleasure to their work there.

The Reverend A. A. Heist, from Sheldon, Illinois, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Heist and family on North Commercial street.

Miss Florence Wuest, of Portland, will be supervisor of art in the Salem schools this year. Miss Wuest has spent the past year studying at the Pratt Institute at New York.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Denison and daughter, Miss Edna Denison, left yesterday for Sacramento, California. They will make a few stops on the way, including one of a few days at Cow Creek Canyon, and another of a week at Medford. Later, the Denisons will go to San Francisco for an indefinite visit.

Miss Mable Rupert, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Rupert, of near Salem, will be supervisor of the music and drawing classes in the Corvallis public schools, which will open next Monday.

Epworthians of the First Methodist church are planning a "L. U. B. A." "get acquainted" social on Friday evening for the benefit of the new university and high school students and other young people who have recently come to the city for the purpose of work or

study. The affair will be held in the church parlors and is in charge of the Misses Ruth Spoor and Alice Fields.

The Quince Jones club was entertained last evening by Miss Joy Turner at her home on North Capital street. Part of the time was pleasantly passed with music and fancy work, while later in the evening the guests circled several tables of five hundred. Potted plants combined with red geraniums and tastefully arranged asters formed pleasing decorations.

Mrs. Carl Elliott and Miss Martha Case entertained the Westminster Guild of the Presbyterian church Monday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Carl Elliott on Center street. An enjoyable program was given during the evening, including musical selections interspersed with informal talks of general interest to the members of the guild. Mrs. Chester Harding sang Masonic's Elegie and Woodman's "An Unholy Confession," accompanied by Miss Benson. Miss Hilda Blair played two piano selections, Padewski's Melody and Barcolle from Tales of Hoffman. Mrs. R. B. Wallace gave an interesting talk and Miss Case described the work of Mrs. Thurston, a missionary in China with whose endeavors in that line the guild is keeping in close touch. Miss Martha Case, the retiring president of the guild is leaving for Portland and the meeting Monday evening was in the nature of a farewell party in her honor. Miss highway engineer's office, has been a most competent executive and the members of the guild have accepted her resignation with sincere regret. The guild, which is composed of young business women in the church, whose members devote themselves particularly to missionary study, will meet next time with Miss Nell Hollenbeck, at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. A. Hodge, on North Twelfth street.

The Loyal Woman's Bible Class of the First Christian church, will hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon in the church parlors.

Miss Ethel Jones has returned from Des Moines where she spent the summer with her mother.

Mrs. Alice Weister, chairman for the State Federation and art superintendent for the state fair at Salem, arrived in Portland early in the week, accompanied by her assistant at the fair, Mrs. Laura Getschell, recently of Boston. Mrs. Weister has been summering at her club house at Seaside, and a few days ago was in Salem to assume her duties along art lines. Both women are in Portland now to arrange for art exhibits for the fair, and they are calling on all the club women of the state to make an effort to procure worthy exhibitions for the fair. The art museum and local artists have signified their intentions of sending exhibits of their work, and the art museum also will send someone to give a couple of art lectures. Mrs. Weister will conduct a course of lectures with stereopticon slides on art, and Allen Eaton, of Eugene, also will speak at

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different times during the fair. Mrs. Weister is an energetic worker in the woman's field, and she is exercising every effort to have the art department of the state fair this year be marked as a signal success.

PERSONALS

J. C. Jones, of Mercer, Ore., was here yesterday on business.

Miss Sophia DuBoise, of Woodburn, was in the city yesterday.

George Vick and family returned today from a visit at Seaside.

J. C. Penn, custodian of Willson park, is in Portland today.

E. R. Schram went to Canby today to begin the erection of a silo.

Mrs. Pearl Landson is in the city today shopping from woodburn.

L. O. Herrold and wife left this morning on the Oregon Electric for Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pietzold, of Portland, are in the city, the guests of Mrs. C. J. Kurth.

Mrs. S. E. Yantis returned today from a visit in Portland with her son, David R. Yantis.

Miss Fannie Penn left this morning for Tacoma where she will enter the Stadium high school for the coming school year.

Miss Esther Schnitzger left for her home at Annapolis, Md., after a visit of two months here with her sister, Mrs. Henry Carl.

Miss Ellen Austin, of Portland, is in the city the guest of Miss Genevieve Frazier. They will be room mates at the O. A. C. the coming year.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

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Although plaintiff in both the suit of Otto Muellerhaupt against Mabel L. Campbell and of Otto Muellerhaupt against D. F. Campbell and Mabel L. Campbell was awarded judgment against the defendants in the circuit court he has appealed to the supreme court and today filed notice to that effect in the circuit court. In the first cause of action a judgment was awarded for \$113.90 with interest, \$20 attorney's fees and \$1.50 for recording lien, and in the second case a judgment in the sum of \$39.05 with interest, \$20 attorney's fees and \$1.50 for recording lien was awarded.

The defendant in the case of R. A. Brown against F. J. Hugin, an action to recover money for services rendered, filed his answer in the circuit court today in which he alleges that he, the defendant, entered into a contract to have some of his land cleared and that the other parties to the contract were W. E. Haight and W. M. Cunningham. He alleges further that R. A. Brown was employed by the parties of the second part and that they were responsible for the wages. William H. Trindle is attorney for the defendant.

Three marriage licenses were issued at the office of the county clerk today to: Merrill B. Moore, an automobile man of Portland, and Gertrude B. Jones, the daughter of M. L. Jones, of Brooks; Hugh T. Small, a farmer of Silverton; and Sudie E. Boughie, a Salem teacher; Malcolm S. Rump, a farmer of Brooks; and Nellie A. Roberts, of this city.

In the matter of the estate of Mabel L. Campbell, deceased, Judge Bashley today issued an order appointing Abner Lewis, Peter Geiser and Ed Blessing appraisers of the estate of the deceased.

JOHN BENNETT DEAD
Baker, Ore., Sept. 13.—John Bennett, aged 38, son of Addison Bennett, a pioneer newspaper man of Oregon, died today in a hospital here. Bennett came here from New York a month ago, for the benefit of his health. He had conducted a printing establishment in New York City for many years.

Uncle Sam Pays Respects to American Can Company

By George Martin.

(United Press staff correspondent.)
Washington, Sept. 15.—There is nothing more ordinary than a tin can. Nothing much cheaper or more common. Nothing less apt to attract attention or cause comment.

Yet Uncle Sam has deemed the tin can worthy his most serious consideration. Worth much of the time and grave thought of his attorney general, Mr. Gregory, a highly paid and very important member of his cabinet.

Why? Because a corporation named the American Can company, lifted the tin can, as one might say, off the pantry shelf and glorified it to the extent of a hundred million dollars.

If you are interested, go down to Baltimore October 5. In the United States district court room there you will find our own Uncle Sam, coat of arms and sleeves rolled up, doing his level best to dump the water out of this hundred million dollar tin can and cut the can up into a lot of little cans.

There will be gentlemen there in native business suits on the other side of the room hooting at Uncle Sam. They will say, in effect:

"Why, Uncle Sam, what are you trying to do? Do you think you have an enormous tin can there? And that it's full of water? What ho!"

But Uncle Sam will gravely proceed; and this is about what he'll try to show:

(Uncle Sam speaking.)
"There was a man by the name of Dan Reid in Richmond, Indiana; Daniel O. Reid, he is now of New York, former commodore of the New York Yacht club and quite a considerable citizen altogether."

"There was another man in this same town by the name of W. B. Leeds. He and Reid got together with some Chicago fellows and organized the 'Tin Plate Trust,' which is to say that they bought up or gained control of every tin-plate factory in the country."

"To weld all these factories together into one organization took a heap of financial juggling; and even after the thing was organized Dan Reid spent many a sleepless night figuring out ways and means of keeping the thing together. His stock went a-bumping."

"Finally, however, the thing began to shape around and Reid woke up one morning to find himself so rich he didn't know where to begin cutting the coupons."

"I think that the American Can company, against which I have brought an anti-trust suit, is a child of the 'Tin Plate Trust,' and that it has ever since 1901 been absolute monarch of the tin can business from start to finish; and that the can-buyer and the can-user is financially getting the worst of this monopoly."

"When the American Can company was organized in New Jersey in 1901 it gobbled up, according to a prearranged plan, more than a hundred can-making plants and businesses—or every can-making plant of consequence in the United States."

"As the result of this gobbling up I claim that the American Can company got such a strangle hold on the tin can business in the United States that when Homer Bliss, (who was one of the factory men who sold out to the trust), told an official of the American Can company that he could 'do better business if the customers were given better prices,' he received this reply:

"I guess we got the bulge on 'em, Bliss; and don't believe it makes much difference what prices we ask. They have got to buy of us."

"I claim that the American Sheet & Tin Plate company is a New Jersey corporation under contract to furnish the American Can company with tin-plate at 'preferential' prices."

"I also claim that until just a short time before the filing of this suit the Baxtons Machine company of New York was under contract to furnish the American Can company with its special can-making machinery 'exclusively.'"

"The Sanitary Can company and the Missouri Can company I say are subsidiaries of the American Can company."

"These three companies control the trade in tin cans of every description; vegetable, fruit, oyster, hard, baking powder, toilet articles and many other kinds of cans."

"No manufacturer up to 1901 controlled a large part of this rapidly increasing interstate trade in cans."

"But this combination took these plants, filled them with water and started in deliberately to 'soak' the public. They made the former owners of the

plants agree not to go back into the tin can business for fifteen years. They gained control of the can-making patents."

"Within two years after this the American Can company shut down and dismantled most of the 100 and more plants it had bought."

"The United States Steel corporation which controls the old Tin Plate Trust, contracted to give preference to the American Can company; and some of the can company organizers are stockholders in the steel corporation."

"I want the court to declare this company an illegal combination in restraint of trade. I want it to be forbidden to ship or sell cans until it has been chopped up into its original companies and competition has been restored, and I want a receiver appointed who will work out these details."

"The American Can company admits all the details of organization that I charge, but it denies that it is a trust."

"I claim that for a year before the can company was organized, its future president, Edwin Norton, went about the country getting options on can-making plants. He did this by telling the can-makers that he represented Dan Reid and other big moguls in the Tin Plate Trust and that if they didn't get into the combination they would have one of their own cans tied to their tails."

"Anyhow, they got in."

"And most of them were prosperous and making money, (some of them on a million dollar investment) without the combination."

"McDonald of the Mercereau Can company, of Brooklyn, testified that when he refused an option to Norton, Norton said to him:

"If you don't sign that option I will put you out of business. We will wipe you off the slate. Where are you going to get your tin-plate from? Inside of sixty days after this company is organized it will become a constituent part of the United States Steel corporation."

"The elimination of competition was expressly urged by Norton as one of the grounds for the formation of the American Can company."

"Immediately after the can company was formed, prices were advanced by the combination from 10 to 100 per cent. But it is significant that there was no corresponding advance in the price of tin plate, pigtin and lead and other can materials."

"The American company is four times as large as its largest competitor; and in 1913 its total sales exceeded by \$11,174,874 the total sales of all its competitors."

"The American Can company fixes all can prices. The minutes of the company's meeting December 30, 1903, shows that on motion duly seconded it was ordered that the selling price of packers cans for the next season be left to Messrs. Reid and Assmann, to fix according to their judgment." The same thing was done in 1913, naming officials to fix the prices.

"Oliver W. Johnson, of the Wheeling Can company, second largest competitor of the American Can company, says that his firm is largely governed by the prices of the American Can company, names no prices until it has named them and as a rule adheres strictly to these prices."

"A New Jersey can-maker named Magle referred to the formation of the combine by saying:

"Some of the people I met over there in New York City considered they were performing an act in the name of Esau and Jacob by signing away their right to go into business. To a majority of the can-makers it is a matter of sell out or be frozen out."

"Peter L. Lineweaver, a small can maker in Baltimore, whose plant was acquired by the American Can company, said:

"I met Mr. Norton in the morning. He said he was here for the last time and if I wanted to give him an option on my plant I would have to give it to him then. I had held off. I did not sell until I found that all the rest of them had sold."

"Lineweaver's only business now is repairing tin roofs, spouts, stoves and furnaces."

Somehow in this manner though not in this language, Uncle Sam will argue next month for the dissolution of the tin can trust. He won't appear in his star-spangled uniform, but with the bootstraps, either; but will speak through his own business like attorneys. The case ranking with the Harvester trust and the Standard Oil in importance is expected to attract great interest.

GERMANS OFFERED LABOR GREAT BRIBE

Pres. O'Connor Tells Longshoremen They Could Have Secured \$1,035,000

Toleno, Ohio, Sept. 13.—German agents offered President T. V. O'Connor of the longshoremen's national organization \$1,035,000 if he would cause a month's general strike of longshoremen on Pacific and Atlantic docks. O'Connor declared today. He told delegates from the Great Lakes of the offer and cautioned his listeners not to be misled by the machinations of Austro-German agents.

A Boston grocer, he said, had offered a big bribe, equivalent to a month's strike benefit for 24,000 men for a strike in the "deep water" division. Such a strike, O'Connor said, was intended to hamper shipments of munitions to the allies, and give Austro-German agents opportunity to execute a plan of blowing up vessels.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: The more we watch Germany in Russia, the less we marvel at what Japan did a few years ago.

Irrigation Congress Moved To New Locations Today

Stockton, Cal., Sept. 15.—The irrigation congress on wheels moved today. At 8 o'clock a special train bearing the delegates started south to Fresno, where another session opened this afternoon. Principally all of the delegates made the trip. Friday morning they will return their course to Sacramento where the sessions promise to be lively. Officers are to be elected to the Saturday, the 1916 meeting place is to be selected and many of the ideas advanced at the Stockton session as to the drying out of farm life in America will, it is believed, be shaped into definite policies when the resolutions committee reports. The next meeting will probably be held in the middle west or one of the states in the Pacific northwest. Among the cities mentioned are Lincoln, Neb., Topeka, Kan., Kansas City, Mo., Great Falls, Mont., and El Paso, Texas.

Among those whose names have been mentioned for the presidency of the International Irrigation congress are E. A. Nares, of Fresno; R. H. Burgess, of El Paso; L. N. Numan, of Great Falls, and J. S. Dennis, of Calgary, Alberta.

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Stock Exchange Prices Move In Desultory Way

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New York, Sept. 15.—Prices on the stock exchange again today moved in desultory fashion, with the changes irregular and with no significance. Yesterday's enthusiasm over "war stocks" evidently had waned.

Those which went up violently yesterday, were, on the other hand, weak spots today. Elsewhere the market showed firmness most of the day, but with fractional fluctuations in both directions and without great activity.

There was not much in the way of financial news. Sterling exchange moved but little. Washington continued to wait Berlin's disavowal in the Arabic case.

The government's weekly crop bulletin showed, as was expected, that this spell of extreme heat, coming this late in the season and extending over a great part of the country, had been immediately helpful to overcast prospects.

With both corn and wheat, this served to offset the injury threatened, both in quality and quantity of yield, as a consequence of excessive rainfall in mid-summer.

The Iron Age again had a cheerful report of the weeks steel and iron trade. In particular the evidence was still more positive that the hands of the railroad are being forced by the size of foreign inquiry for steel to be shipped after January 1.

Cotton went to the highest level of the year, spot cotton reaching 1 1/2 cents a pound above the price a month ago.

FISHERMEN MAY STRIKE

Astoria, Ore., Sept. 14.—Unless the packers of the Columbia meet the demands of the fishermen by raising the price now being paid for raw fish, fish-

ing activities will be brought to a standstill immediately. This action was decided upon by the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union today.

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